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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN Director, Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

I would like to follow up on my recent letter and extend an invitation to you to speak to the Sixty-second Class of the Armed Forces Staff College. A suggested date for your presentation is 28 November 1977 at 1000 hours. By that time, our students will have undergone much of our core curriculum which emphasizes joint organization and planning. To fulfill their complex planning tasks, joint staff officers must have a firm understanding of the key roles and responsibilities of the intelligence community in the formulation of our national policy and strategy. Your experience as an operational commander and as Director, Central Intelligence Agency would provide a unique contribution to the students' understanding of this vital process. I am certainly aware of your demanding schedule; therefore, if 28 November is not convenient for you, we would like to schedule your presentation at a date your schedule permits. Also, we will be pleased to schedule your presentation after duty hours if that would be more convenient.

The scope of your presentation is left to your discretion; however, a possible topic which would provide our students with insight into the national intelligence effort could be, "The Role of The Intelligence Community in the Formulation of United States Foreign Policy." The suggested date for your presentation occurs during our Foreign Internal Defense block of instruction in which the students in each of our seminars are organized as "Country Teams" with each student playing the role of a key embassy team member. At that time, our Allied students will be on an extended field trip and the audience will consist of U. S. officers and civilians who are cleared for access to TOP SECRET material.

In our usual format, lectures last about 45 minutes followed by a 15 minute break and a 45 minute question period. I will be pleased if your schedule will permit you to remain for lunch with several students and faculty members.

Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN

We have a strict nonattribution policy which provides you a high degree of assurance that your remarks will not be discussed outside the College audience. This permits a frank discussion of controversial issues and greatly enhances the learning experience of the student body. It is our policy that no notes will be taken, but we usually record the lectures and informal question periods. However, if you request, no recording of your lecture and question period will be made. In that respect, any transcript or recording of your presentation may be subject to public disclosure under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Captain George D. Rush, III, USAF, of my Guest Speaker Office (AUTOVON: 690-5422; commercial: 804-444-5422 will coordinate the arrangements for your visit.

I consider it essential that our students fully appreciate the importance of and valuable contributions made by members of the intelligence community. I am certain that you will best be able to foster that appreciation.

I hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely yours,

L. GORDON HILL, JR. Major General, USA

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